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Committee Bill No. 360

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Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:
(PH)

***AN ACT CONCERNING EDUCATION PROGRAMS FOR PEDIATRIC
AUTOIMMUNE NEUROPSYCHIATRIC DISORDER ASSOCIATED WITH
STREPTOCOCCAL INFECTIONS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2013*) The Department of
2 Public Health shall develop programs to educate the relevant medical
3 community and the general public, and promote research on, pediatric
4 autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorder associated with streptococcal
5 infections. Such programs shall include, but need not be limited to: (1)
6 Clinical awareness programs for physicians and informational
7 outreach programs for teachers and the general public; (2)
8 epidemiological studies of pediatric neuropsychiatric disorder
9 associated with streptococcal infections within this state; (3) the
10 establishment of a panel consisting of experts in the clinical and
11 research communities on the diagnosis, care and treatment of pediatric
12 neuropsychiatric disorder associated with streptococcal infections, to
13 assist with the development of practice guidelines for such diagnosis,
14 care and treatment in this state; and (4) the establishment of a state
15 liaison to develop science-based guidelines for the diagnosis, care and
16 treatment of pediatric neuropsychiatric disorder associated with

- 17 streptococcal infections with the National Institute of Mental Health
18 and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>October 1, 2013</i>	New section
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PH *Joint Favorable*